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Funding Agreements with the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority

The Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRCA), a Joint Powers Authority, was established in 1999 by the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (Board) and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for the purpose of providing a comprehensive program to acquire, expand and improve open space, natural habitat, and recreational opportunities within the Baldwin Hills and other natural and recreational areas within the Second Supervisorial District.

BHRCA is the recipient of grant funds allocated under Section 3, Subsection b, Paragraph 2 of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (Proposition A), and continues to fund the construction, management, and maintenance of various recreational and park facilities within the greater Baldwin Hills parklands area.

BHRCA has the authority to allocate its Proposition A grant funds to the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) for use on capital projects within the Second Supervisorial District. BHRCA's Proposition A funds have been allocated to projects including the Stoneview Nature Center (as of December 9, 2014, \$5,380,000 was approved by the Board and allocated to Capital Project #70007), and the Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area Picnic Shelter Projects (as of December 9, 2014, \$900,000 was approved by the Board and allocated to Capital Project #87166).

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While the Board has approved incorporation of BHRCA's Proposition A funds into the Department's capital projects, funding agreements must also be put in place for these respective projects to ensure timely reimbursement.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

- 1) Find that the proposed action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in that the action does not meet the definition of a project according to Section 15378 (b)(4)(5) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and because the action is an administrative activity for government grants which by its terms does not involve any commitments to any specific projects which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment; and
- 2) Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, to execute funding agreements with the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority for administrative and construction activities associated with the Stoneview Nature Center and Kenneth Hahn Station Recreation Area Picnic Shelter Projects, upon approval as to form by County Counsel.

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